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MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE, PERSONNEL, AND ETHICS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

June 28, 2012

This meeting of the Governance, Personnel, and Ethics Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois was held in Room 414, Administrative Office Building, 1737 West Polk Street, Chicago, Illinois, on Thursday, June 28, 2012, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Attendance via videoconference was also available in Room 1030, National Center for Supercomputing Applications, 1205 West Clark Street, Urbana; and the Hatmaker Room, Room 550 Public Affairs Center, One University Plaza, Springfield, Illinois.

Trustee Pamela B. Strobel, chair of the committee, convened the meeting and asked the clerk to call the roll. The following members of the committee were present: Ms. Karen Hasara, Mr. James D. Montgomery, Ms. Pamela B. Strobel. Ms. Hannah Ehrenberg, student trustee from the Urbana campus, was absent. Mr. Kenneth M. Thomas, voting student trustee from the Chicago campus, was present.

Also present were President Designate Robert A. Easter; Mr. Walter K. Knorr, vice president/chief financial officer and comptroller; Mr. Steven A. Veazie, deputy University counsel and executive director of labor relations, attending on behalf of Mr. Thomas R. Bearrows, University counsel; Dr. Susan M. Kies, secretary; Dr. Avijit

Ghosh, special assistant to the president; and Mr. Thomas P. Hardy, executive director for University relations.

Attached is a listing of other staff members in attendance at this meeting, as well as some members of the media.

Ms. Strobel asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the minutes from the meeting that was held on May 17, 2012, and there were none. She asked for a motion to approve the minutes, and on motion of Mr. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the minutes were approved. There were no nay votes.

# REVIEW RECOMMENDED BOARD ITEMS FOR THE JULY 19, 2012, BOARD MEETING

Ms. Strobel introduced the items within the purview of this committee that will be on the Board's agenda at its meeting on July 19, 2012.

# Appoint Vice Chancellor for Research, Chicago

Ms. Strobel asked Ms. Robyn Sato, executive assistant to the chancellor, to discuss the recommended appointment of the vice chancellor for research at Chicago. Ms. Sato stated that Dr. Mitra Dutta, who is currently serving as interim vice chancellor for research at Chicago, was selected for the position after participating in a national competitive search. She provided some information about the search and Dr. Dutta's qualifications. There were no questions or comments about the recommended appointment.

# Appoint Dean, College of Business Administration, Chicago

Ms. Sato then discussed the recommended appointment of Dr. Michael B. Mikhail as the dean of the College of Business Administration at Chicago, stating that a national competitive search was conducted for this position. She provided information regarding Dr. Mikhail's experience and qualifications, and there were no comments or questions regarding this recommendation.

Appoint Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Chicago

Next, Ms. Sato provided information regarding the recommended appointment of Dr. Astrida Orle Tantillo as dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Chicago. She stated that Dr. Tantillo is currently serving as interim dean of the college and was selected for the position after participating in a national competitive search.

Brief discussion regarding the number of vacancies throughout the University followed, and Ms. Sato stated that aside from some anticipated retirements, the appointments of deans are currently complete. President Designate Easter also commented on some vacancies at the Urbana campus.

# Appointments to the Faculty, Administrative/Professional Staff, and Intercollegiate Athletic Staff

Dr. Kies explained that the appointments of faculty, administrative and professional staff, and intercollegiate athletic staff that will be recommended in this item are thoroughly reviewed at the appropriate levels within the college, department, or unit, and that this item appears regularly on the Board's agenda. She said that trustees will receive a copy of the item prior to the July 19, 2012, Board meeting.

Promotions in Academic Rank and Change in Tenure, 2012-2013

Dr. Marilyn Marshall, director, University academic programs and services, and director, University-wide student programs, discussed the recommendation of promotions in academic rank and changes in tenure status, stating that each campus has established formal procedures for the initiation, review, and approval of these recommendations. She provided the number of recommendations for promotion at each campus, noting that there may be slight changes to this item before it is reviewed by the full Board in preparation for its meeting on July 19, 2012. There were no comments or questions about this item.

## Honorary Doctorate Degree, Urbana

Dr. Richard Wheeler, interim provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, Urbana, discussed the recommendation to authorize an honorary degree to be conferred on Dr.

Fred R. Volkmar at commencement on May 13, 2013. He provided some information about the awarding of an honorary degree and briefly discussed Dr. Volkmar's many accomplishments. There were no questions or comments regarding this recommendation.

Rename the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Sciences in Rhetoric, Urbana

Dr. Wheeler then provided information regarding the recommendation to rename the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences in Rhetoric as the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences in Creating Writing, stating that this will provide a more clear description of the program currently offered. There were no questions or comments regarding this proposed change.

Establish the Nathalie P. Voorhees Center for Neighborhood and Community Improvement, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, Chicago

Ms. Sato stated that this item recommends the establishment of the Nathalie P. Voorhees Center for Neighborhood and Community Improvement (Voorhees Center). She provided a brief history of the Voorhees Center, explaining that it was established as a center in 1978, and became a program in 1992. She said that this recommendation proposed to recognize the Voorhees Center once again as a center. There were no questions regarding this recommendation.

# Rename the Center for Pharmacoeconomic Research, College of Pharmacy, Chicago

Ms. Sato then provided information regarding the recommendation to rename the Center for Pharmacoeconomic Research as the Center for Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomic Research. There were no comments or questions regarding this proposed change.

Revisions to University Policy on Conflict of Commitment and Interest

Dr. Richard Meisinger, associate vice president for strategic initiatives, discussed proposed revisions to the current policy on Conflict of Commitment and Interest and explained that these revisions are recommended in response to the amended Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) regulations related to conflict of interest in federally funded research. He explained that these changes have been reviewed by legal counsel and the University Senates Conference, and that the University must be in full compliance with the amended HHS regulations by August 24, 2012, in order to retain eligibility to receive Public Health Service funding. There were no comments or questions regarding the proposed changes.

There were no objections to moving the items listed above forward to the full Board.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

## Legislative Session

At 1:12 p.m., Ms. Strobel asked Ms. Katherine Laing, executive director of governmental relations, to provide an update on the recent legislative session. Ms. Laing expressed appreciation for her colleagues at the University for their assistance in addressing the complex legislation that was discussed during this session. She provided an overview of recently passed legislation and its impact on the University, noting that pension legislation did not pass and will continue to be discussed in the future. She referred to a 6.14-percent reduction in the State appropriation to the University. She also provided information regarding Medicaid legislation and said that the per diem rate paid to the hospital by the State was not affected. She discussed decreased Medicaid funding and reported that there are reductions in programs and eligibility and reductions in funding for excellence in academic medicine. She stated that adult dental programs provided by the State have been eliminated. Ms. Laing referred to incentives to avoid hospital readmissions, and said the overall impact of Medicaid legislation remains to be seen.

Next, Ms. Laing briefly discussed legislation that restricts the rehiring of retired employees and provided some examples of situations and types of work that are excluded from this. She also provided an update on legislation eliminating free health insurance for University retirees and said that it will likely take Central Management Services some time to determine the cost for these individuals. She briefly discussed the elimination of General Assembly scholarships, changes to procurement regulations, and

the privatization of the State workers' compensation program. Ms. Laing also provided some information regarding legislation that was not passed during this session.

Brief discussion regarding potential pension legislation followed, and committee members discussed whether collaboration among other State universities would be advantageous. President Designate Easter commented, and Ms. Laing responded to questions from Mr. Montgomery regarding the prevention of hospital readmissions, adding that Dr. Joe G.N. Garcia, vice president for health affairs, could provide additional information. Ms. Strobel thanked Ms. Laing for her hard work and for the update.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no business presented under this aegis.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Ms. Strobel briefly discussed the Board's retreat, which she said is scheduled for July 18, 2012. She stated that materials will be sent in advance to prepare for participation in the retreat, and said she hopes that the retreat will be educational for all involved and will encourage discussions related to the field of higher education and issues at the University of Illinois. President Designate Easter referred to materials written by Dr. James Duderstadt, who is one of the panelists that will be speaking at the retreat. He also

mentioned some insightful presentations that were part of events celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Morrill Act in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Strobel then announced that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for August 28, 2012, at 3:00 p.m.

## **MEETING ADJOURNED**

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Pamela B. Strobel

Chair

On motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Montgomery with no "nay" votes, the committee adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Kies *Clerk* 

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Eileen B. Cable

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#### GOVERNANCE, PERSONNEL, AND ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING

### STAFF AND PUBLIC ATTENDANCE, MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2012

#### **Urbana Campus**

Richard J. Meisinger, Jr., Associate Vice President for Research, University Administration
Avijit Ghosh, Special Assistant to the President, University Administration
Marilyn Marshall, Director of Academic Programs and Services, University Administration
Walter Knorr, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Comptroller, University Administration
Julia Kuehn, Staff, Board of Trustees
Michael Hites, Associate Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Administrative
Information Technology Services
Aubrie Williams, Staff, Board of Trustees
Peg O'Donoghue, Associate Chancellor, Urbana
Susan Parker, Staff, Board of Trustees
Christine des Garennes, News Gazette
Richard Wheeler, Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost, Urbana
Menah Pratt-Clark, Associate Chancellor, Urbana
Steven Veazie, Deputy University Counsel, University Administration
Julie Zemaitis, Executive Director of University Audits

## Chicago Campus

Robyn Sato, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor, Chicago Tom Hardy, Executive Director, Office of University Relations Robert Easter, President, University Administration Katherine Laing, Governmental Relations, University Administration

### Springfield Campus

Maureen Parks, Executive Director and Associate Vice President Human Resources, University Administration

#### Teleconference

Eileen Cable, Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees Jodie Cohen, Chicago Tribune David Pileski, Student Trustee

NOTE: Names appear in the order reflected on the signed attendance sheets.